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- 11. (SBU) On 29 August 2007 Pol/Econ officer delivered points contained reftel to the Luxembourg Ministry of Foreign Affairs along with the Department's 15 August public statement. The MFA was unaware of the situation (NOTE: Our contacts who normally handle EU Affairs and Middle Eastern portfolios were both out the office. END NOTE) and thanked us for this information but had no immediate comment.
- 12. (C) Follow up by Post on 31 August revealed that Luxembourg did not intend to make any unilateral public statements but would likely back an EU public statement if that was the consensus opinion of EU Member States.

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